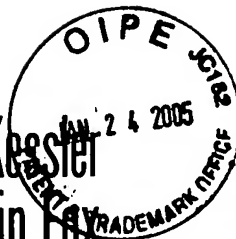




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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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Inventors: NI *et al.*
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Sir:

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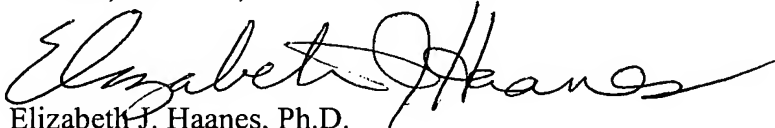
1. Supplemental Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111; and
2. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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(A) Starting on a separate sheet, a complete listing of all of the claims:

- in ascending order;
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in the Amendment and Reply filed on May 24, 2004;

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addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No.

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